

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

e: Application of Roman Golicz et al.

Serial No. 08/962,077

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Examiner: David Bollinger.

Applicant: Roman Golicz et al.

Art Unit: 3651

Title: Sheet Feeding Apparatus

Atty. No. 9534

LETTER

Applicants send this letter with their RCE. In filing this RCE, applicants are withdrawing their appeal. Applicants filed a reply brief and the Board questioned the timeliness of the reply brief. Any appeal board timeliness issue is now moot. The reply brief is nonetheless part of the record, and thus applicants have not exercised the option of reproducing the arguments of the reply brief with this submittal, as if the reply brief had not been submitted. They request in the RCE form that the arguments in both the appeal brief and reply brief be considered.

For the examiner's convenience, enclosed is a status of claims.

Applicants do not think their argument rests upon a differing judgment from the examiner, about motivation/teaching to combine. Applicants truly believe they have good arguments about the inoperability of the combination of the prior art, and what is being claimed vs. what the prior art discloses/teaches.

For reasons set forth in the appeal brief and the reply brief, applicants request reconsideration and allowance.

A petition to make special on basis of one applicants' age was hand-delivered on March 1, 2000, and the application should have been made special.

> Respectfully submitted, ROMAN GOLICZ et al.

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